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GRANDVIEW WOMAN INDICTED FOR CHILD PORN

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Grandview, Mo., woman was indicted by a federal grand jury today on charges related to child pornography.

Julie Bishop, 43, was charged in a four-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Counts One and Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Bishop** received child pornography over the Internet on Feb. 12 and 13, 2005, respectively.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Bishop** was in possession of child pornography on May 5, 2005.

Count Four of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Bishop** to forfeit to the federal government any property used to commit the alleged violations, including a Hewlett Packard computer, two Western Digital hard drives, a Motorola cable modem, an Iomega external CD burner and two CD-R disks.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was investigated by the Grandview, Mo., Police Department, the St. Louis Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at www.usdoj.gov/usao/mow